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7. (Amended) A compound according to claim 2 wherein R⁶ is hydrogen, halogeno, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, C₁₋₇alkoxy or a group Y⁴R³⁵ (wherein Y⁴ is -C(O)-, -O- or -OSO₂- and R³⁵ is C₁₋₇alkyl, C₁₋₇alkoxy (which alkyl or alkoxy may bear one or more substituents selected from halogeno), R⁴⁸ (wherein R⁴⁸ is a benzyl group) or R⁵³ (wherein R⁵³ is a 5-6-membered saturated heterocyclic group (linked via carbon or nitrogen) with 1-2 heteroatoms selected independently from O, S and N)).

8. (Amended) A compound according to claim 2 wherein R⁶ is hydrogen, C(O)OCH₃ or methoxy.

9. (Amended) A compound according to claim 2 wherein R⁵ is hydrogen, halogeno, amino, carboxy, carbamoyl, C₁₋₇alkanoyl, C₁₋₇thioalkoxy, or a group -Y⁴R³⁵

(wherein Y⁴ is -C(O)-, -OC(O)-, -O-, -SO-, -OSO₂-, -NR³⁶-, -NR³⁷C(O)- or -C(O)NR³⁸-

(wherein R³⁶, R³⁷ and R³⁸, which may be the same or different, each represents hydrogen, C₁₋₃alkyl or C₁₋₃alkoxyC₁₋₃alkyl) and

R³⁵ is a sugar moiety, a mono-peptide, a di-peptide, a tri-peptide, a tetra-peptide, C₁₋₇alkyl, C₁₋₇alkoxy, C₁₋₇alkanoyl, C₁₋₇alkanoylaminoC₁₋₇alkyl,

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(which alkyl, alkoxy, alkanoyl, alkanoylaminoalkyl may bear one or more substituents selected from:

halogeno, amino, hydroxy, carboxy, and a group $-Y^5R^{40}$ (wherein Y^5 is $-C(O)-$, $O-$ or $-O-C(O)-$ and R^{40} is C_{1-7} alkyl or a group R^{43} wherein R^{43} is a benzyl group),

R^{48} (wherein R^{48} is a phenyl group, a benzyl group or a 5-10-membered aromatic heterocyclic group (linked via carbon or nitrogen) with 1-4 heteroatoms selected independently from O, N and S, which phenyl, benzyl or aromatic heterocyclic group may bear one or more substituents selected from

hydroxy, fluoro, amino, C_{1-4} alkoxy, C_{1-4} hydroxyalkyl, C_{1-4} aminoalkyl, C_{1-4} alkylamino, $di(C_{1-4}alkyl)amino$, $di(C_{1-4}alkyl)aminoC_{1-4}alkyl$, $di(C_{1-4}hydroxyalkyl)amino$ $C_{1-4}alkyl$, $di(C_{1-4}aminoalkyl)amino$ $C_{1-4}alkyl$, $C_{1-4}hydroxyalkoxy$, carboxy, $C_{1-4}carboxyalkyl$, cyano, $-CONR^{49}R^{50}$, $-NR^{51}COR^{52}$ (wherein R^{49} , R^{50} , R^{51} and R^{52} , which may be the same or different, each represents hydrogen, C_{1-3} alkyl or $C_{1-3}alkoxyC_{2-3}alkyl$) and $C_{1-4}alkylR^{53}$ (wherein R^{53} is as defined herein),

$C_{1-7}alkylR^{48}$ (wherein R^{48} is as defined herein),

R^{53} (wherein R^{53} is a 5-6-membered saturated heterocyclic group (linked via carbon or nitrogen) with 1-2 heteroatoms, selected independently from O, S and N, which heterocyclic group may bear 1 or 2 substituents selected from

oxo, hydroxy, fluoro, chloro, alkyl, C_{1-4} hydroxyalkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, $C_{1-4}carboxyalkyl$, C_{1-4} aminoalkyl, $di(C_{1-4}alkyl)amino$ $C_{1-4}alkyl$, $C_{1-4}alkoxy$ $C_{1-4}alkyl$, $C_{1-4}alkylsulphonyl$ $C_{1-4}alkyl$ and R^{54} (wherein R^{54} is a 5-6-

membered saturated heterocyclic group (linked via carbon or nitrogen) with 1-2 heteroatoms, selected independently from O, S and N, which heterocyclic group may bear 1 or 2 substituents selected from

oxo, hydroxy, halogeno, C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄hydroxyalkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, C₁₋₄alkoxyC₁₋₄alkyl and C₁₋₄alkylsulphonyl C₁₋₄alkyl)), or

(CH₂)_aY⁶(CH₂)_bR⁵³ (wherein R⁵³ is as defined herein, a is 0, or an integer 1-4, b is 0 or an integer 1-4 and Y⁶ represents a direct bond, -O-, -C(O)-, -NR⁵⁵-, -NR⁵⁰C(O)- or -C(O)NR⁵⁷- (wherein R⁵⁵, R⁵⁶, and R⁵⁷, which may be the same or different, each represents hydrogen, C₁₋₃alkyl or C₁₋₃alkoxyC₂₋₃alkyl), and wherein one or more of the (CH₂)_a or (CH₂)_b groups may bear one or more substituents selected from hydroxy, amino and halogeno));

with the proviso that R⁵ is not alkoxy, substituted alkoxy (wherein R⁵ is Y⁴R³⁵ and Y⁴ is -O- and R³⁵ is C₁₋₇alkyl bearing one or more substituents selected from the list given herein), -O- C₁₋₇alkanoyl or benzyloxy.